





## ENDANGERED.

The Peace Negotiations Between China and Japan.

The Latter Does Not Want to Wait for Hon. John W. Foster.

And the Cry May Again Go Up "On to Pekin"—Assertion That Foster Would Be Welcomed as a Chinese Representative in the Negotiations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Danger threatens the peace negotiations between China and Japan, and from present indications, it is exceedingly probable that hostilities may be renewed with even greater vigor and the cry of "On to Pekin" once more become the slogan of the Japanese forces. Despite a prevailing belief to the contrary, it is not unlikely that the Japanese government will decline to make further postponement of the actual commencement of the negotiations in order to await the arrival of John W. Foster, the Chinese advisory counsel, and it is even probable that arrangements for the settlement of the dispute will have been completed before Mr. Foster reaches Hiroshima, where the representatives of both the warring powers will meet.

It may be stated with some degree of positiveness that a direct declaration by the Chinese ambassadors to begin negotiations until Mr. Foster reaches Hiroshima will result in positive disagreement and the breaking off of the overtures, which will place the possibility for peace further away than ever and cause the Japanese forces to push their way with great vigor toward the Chinese capital. In that event nothing short of the fall of Pekin is likely to put an end to the hostilities.

It has been known for some time that the Japanese government suspects the peace of the good faith of their enemies in the overtures for a suspension of the war. The Japanese peace commissioners are so far from giving any formal recognition to Mr. Foster. He will certainly not be allowed to attend the sittings of the commission, provided he arrives at Hiroshima before its business is concluded, and if frequent requests for adjournment are made by the Chinese envoys in order that they may consult with him, the Japanese commissioners will probably refuse to proceed further unless these requests cease.

Minister Kurino, of Japan, said Wednesday, that the statement that Mr. Foster received official notice from the Japanese government that he would be cordially welcomed to Japan as one of the Chinese representatives in the peace negotiations was erroneous. No such notice has been given, and Mr. Foster has not been officially recognized by Japan. Although Mr. Foster is a friend of Viscount Goro, the minister of foreign affairs, the latter will not allow personal considerations to cause him to extend any unusual favors to the representative of Japan's enemies.

A statement published that Mr. Foster will receive the highest decorations from Japan if his mission is successful receives Mr. Kurino's unqualified denial. He says no such promise could be made, or has been made at this early stage of the proceedings.

**Favorable to Florence Blythe.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 3.—The supreme court Wednesday decided the appeal of Alice E. Blythe, the daughter of the late Thomas H. Blythe, in favor of Florence, the daughter. The appeal was from the decision of Judge Coffey awarding the Blythe millions to Florence. It was the last important appeal in the case to decide. There are still several other appeals pending from Judge Coffey's recent order of distribution of the estate, but they are merely technical and practically hopeless.

**Women Felt Righted.**  
DENVER, Jan. 3.—Both houses of the Tenth general assembly convened at noon Wednesday in the new state capitol building. The lower house appointed twenty of its clerks and among this number were six women. The ladies think they are hardly getting fair treatment.

**Oil in Colorado.**  
FLORENCE, Col., Jan. 3.—The richest strike ever made in the Florence oil fields, has been made by the United Oil Co., at Coal Creek, two miles from this city. The flow of oil has a sufficient pressure, while at other wells here the pressure is only nine ounces.

**Choked Her Baby With Pin.**  
BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 3.—At Durham, a year ago, Eleanor Wood, a young woman, murdered her infant by putting pins in its mouth and causing it to swallow them. The case was tried and convicted of murder.

**\$2,500,000 in Gold for Europe.**  
NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Lazard Freres will ship \$1,000,000 in gold on the Esmeralda Thursday. Heidemeyer, Jekelheimer & Co. will ship \$700,000 gold, and Ledenberg, Thalman & Co. \$500,000 on Thursday's steamer, making \$2,500,000 thus far engaged.

**Male Legislature Organized.**  
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Jan. 3.—The male legislature organized Wednesday morning by the election of Walter C. nominated as the republican candidate, Tuesday evening. The senate adjourned until Friday.

**A New Bank Cashier.**  
PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Jan. 3.—The directors of the Wood county bank elected Frank R. Wagner, cashier of the National Exchange bank, of Weston, cashier of the Wood county bank, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of M. Durbin.

**Drunkdriving at Memphis.**  
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 3.—Col. W. C. Wednesday night at the auditorium Wednesday night at the auditorium a large number of whom were women. The reception at Mrs. J. H. Bess' in the Kentucky was a magnificent

## OHIO LABOR ASSEMBLY.

Congress to Be Memorialized on Judge Wood's Decision.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 3.—At Wednesday's session of the State Trades and Labor assembly, Mark Wild, leader in the recent railroad strike, introduced a resolution denouncing the blanket injunction against railroad strikers issued by the United States courts and requesting Congress to "bring the power of said judges within the limits recognized as in conformity with the wishes of a free people," also tendering the sympathy of the convention to the victims of those injunctions. The resolution unanimously passed.

**Delegate Lansing, of Cleveland,** said that a few such injunctions as were issued by Judge Woods would break up labor organizations.

A resolution was offered by Delegate Lansing protesting against the creation of a United States arbitration commission which was referred to the committee on resolutions.

A resolution was referred to this committee approving the action of the American Federation of Labor in sending a committee to Washington to urge Congress to pass bills beneficial to labor and calling upon all labor organizations to aid the committee.

**Davis for Circuit Judge.**  
COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 3.—The executive office authorized the official information Wednesday that George R. Young, of Dayton, has withdrawn the application for his friend, J. W. Davis, is not a candidate for circuit judge who is to succeed Judge Shaukel, who is to take a place on the supreme bench February 3.

Other prominent applications were endorsed are: E. L. DeWitt, of Columbus, and J. I. Allred, of Greenville, but there is reason to believe that the governor will appoint W. D. Davies, defeated candidate for congress in the Fourth district, who lives at Sidney.

**Best Place for Him.**  
HUNTSVILLE, W. Va., Jan. 3.—Joseph Dixon, a young man of Barboursville, was arrested Wednesday and lodged in jail. Several months ago he became a member of the Ku Klux Klan, and was trying to take his life and shot an innocent man named Poteet, the wound, however, not proving fatal. He was later sent to the asylum at Spencer, from which he made his escape, and his parents then gave bond for his keeping. Recently he has again shown signs of doing harm to some men and they insisted upon his being incarcerated.

**Thirty Girls Released by Firemen.**  
CARSON, Jan. 3.—Fire Wednesday afternoon completely gutted the Prince Knitting works, situated at Belmont avenue and Herndon street. There were 30 girls employed in the works. Thirty of them had a narrow escape, being rescued from the thirty-story building by the firemen. It is believed, originated from spontaneous combustion in the basement. Total loss \$100,000, partially covered by insurance.

**Six Miners Injured.**  
RICHTON, Mo., Jan. 3.—A powder explosion occurred just before dinner Wednesday in Martin & Gees coal mine, a short distance from here. Six miners were seriously injured. A barley field's head and face were burned, while some of the others were more or less injured. The accident was caused by a keg of blasting powder exploding in the mine when a shot was fired.

**An Architect Employed.**  
COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 3.—The state emergency board, at a session in this city, Wednesday, authorized the employment of the Boy Industrial school to employ an architect, whose compensation shall not exceed \$600, to prepare plans for a new chapel for the boys. The plans will then be passed upon by the emergency board. The old chapel has been found to be unsafe.

**Miner Killed by Long Train.**  
LANSING, Mich., Jan. 3.—The republicans of the legislative caucus Wednesday evening passed in nomination the name of Senator J. McMillan for the long term United States senator from Michigan. The nomination means election, as there is only one democrat in the legislature. The short term nomination will be made Thursday evening.

**As to Alexander Scott.**  
OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 3.—Private dispatches received here from O'Neill, the county seat of Holt county, are unanimous in the opinion that the alleged abduction of Bartlett Scott, the defaulting county treasurer, was for theatrical effect. Scott is under \$200,000 bonds pending a decision of his case in the supreme court.

**Small-Pox in Toledo.**  
COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 3.—A case of small-pox presumed to be imported from Chicago, was reported from Toledo to the state board of health Wednesday morning. An investigation disclosed that three persons had been dangerously exposed. They were hunted and vaccinated, and the Fitzpatrick family quarantined.

**Clarksburg to Death.**  
CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Jan. 3.—The 2-year-old child of George Watson was frozen to death while in bed with its mother. The feet of the child were so severely frost bitten. On account of Watson's ill health the family has become extremely poor, living in a small, out-of-repair house without the necessities of life.

**Will Continue the Quarantine.**  
WARREN, O., Jan. 3.—The Warren board of health on a special meeting Wednesday decided not to at present remove the quarantine against Ashtabula, which is a special protection as was recommended by Dr. Miller, of Cleveland, a member of the state board.

**Last Money Recovered.**  
ATHENS, O., Jan. 3.—E. R. Rollins, a young miller of Amesville, this county, who left mysteriously with a considerable amount of money, has been found at Hepta Vista, Va. He had \$1,195 in his possession. He has returned home, and no steps will be taken against him.

## PROHIBITION.

Against American Live Cattle and Beef Products.

All Continental Europe Joins in the Scheme of Retaliation.

For the Abolition of the Sugar Reciprocity Treaty—Belgium the Last to Agree to the Matter—English Market Alone Left to Our Meat Exporters.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Nelson Morris has received a cablegram from his agent at Antwerp that the Belgian government has prohibited the importation of live cattle from the United States on the ground that pleuropneumonia is prevalent in this country.

This closes all the ports of continental Europe against American cattle and beef products, and leaves to the Americans only the British market, which, in its present condition, is not a desirable one. This is in addition to the embargo on dressed beef and packed goods which has been in force in most of the European countries for some time.

According to Mr. Morris, Belgium is the most serious of the land of Austria, Germany, France and other European nations, in taking retaliatory measures against the United States for the abolition of the reciprocity treaty under which the sugar industry prospered.

**Price of California Oranges Advanced.**  
SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Jan. 3.—With in the last few days buyers of oranges have been active in this vicinity picking up choice lots at an advanced price. News of the devaluation to the crop in Florida has resulted in an advance from fifty cents per box, heretofore offered in the orchard, to \$1 per box. The growers are much encouraged and are now holding number one seedlings and navel at \$1.10 to \$1.30 per box.

**Fatal Affair of Honor in Mexico.**  
MATAMOROS, Mex., Jan. 3.—A duel took place here between Col. Manuel Perez de Leon, paymaster in the Mexican army, and Manuel Cardenas, a wealthy merchant of this city. Each man fired three shots, and in the third round Col. De Leon was shot through the head. The trouble had been brewing between the two gentlemen for some time, and the affair of honor was the result.

**Chicago Official Implicated.**  
CHICAGO, Ill., January 3.—The evening Post Wednesday, in an expose of Chicago justice court methods, published figures showing that out of \$38,000 imposed in fines in October and November, only \$6,000 was collected. The other \$32,000 having been suspended through various influences. It is intimated that several prominent city officials will be implicated if an investigation follows.

**Eight Negroes Incarcerated.**  
DOUGLAS, Ga., Jan. 3.—News has just reached here that eight negroes were burned to death a day or two ago at Phillips Mill, in this county. One of the negroes was about grown and the others were children. They were all asleep in a house, which accidentally caught fire and they were consumed before they could escape.

**Flagler's Extradition Revoked.**  
AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 3.—It is reported here on what is regarded as good authority that Gov. Alvin C. Russell has revoked the executive writ issued by him on the requisition of Gov. Hogg, of Texas, for the extradition of Henry M. Flagler, one of the Standard oil directors.

**Babe Not Upon and Killed.**  
WALLACE, Idaho, Jan. 3.—The fireman's hall at Idaho was broken up by a sad fatality. Mrs. John Brevenall had left her 11-month-old girl asleep in the carriage in the dressing room. Her father, who was alone, whose name is not given, sat on the child and killed it.

**A Crack After Virginia Fall.**  
SAY FORT, Va., Jan. 3.—A crack has been haunting the Palace hotel and night waiting for Miss Virginia Fall to arrive. He is poorly clad and about thirty-five years old. He says he has important business for Miss Fall but declines to discuss its nature.

**Richard Sticks.**  
GREENE, Wyo., Jan. 3.—Sutrover General Rickford does not intend to succeed his office to Gen. Thompson, appointed his successor, without a fight. Gen. Thompson has telegraphed friends at Washington to look after his interests.

**Took Morphine.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3.—Charles H. Kohler, a well known and wealthy citizen, president of the Kohler & Frothingham Co. of this city, had died earlier by taking morphine. He carried a heavy insurance on his life, said to be \$125,000.

**Big Stakes for Billiards.**  
CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 3.—Frank C. Ives has arrived in the city with his wife from Grand Rapids. The champion's move was his acceptance of the offer of Virginia to play a match at 14-inch ball-line billiards for \$10,000 a side.

**Senator Duff Surre.**  
PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.—Senator J. H. Duff has arrived from Washington to remain until after the election of a United States senator, the legislature meeting January 14. Senator Duff is confident of reelection.

**Examining the Cadets.**  
WEST POINT, Jan. 3.—The semi-annual examination of cadets began Wednesday and will be conducted by the academic board. A dozen cadets have resigned during the last month to escape dismissal.

**Murderers Break Jail.**  
NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 3.—A. J. A. Roadie, Andrew Winters, George Alexander and C. R. Kiger, held for murder and confined in the county jail, made their escape by sawing the

## CONDENSED NEWS.

Gathered From All Parts of the World by Telegrams.

The West Virginia Bar association will meet at Charleston the first Tuesday in February, 1895.

Joshua Reynolds, 79, of Ogden, W. Va., is supposed to have become bedridden in his yard and froze to death. Dr. James Rhodes, ex-president of Bryn Mawr (Pa.) College for Women, dropped dead in the railroad station there.

The Ohio penitentiary is said to be running behind \$7,000 a month, a deficiency that the tax payers will have to make good.

Vice President Stevenson left Asheville, N. C., for Washington, Wednesday afternoon. His daughter was some better Wednesday.

Col. E. M. Heil, inspector-general of the department of Missouri, United States army, under Gen. Bager, died in Chicago at Hotel Metropole.

Thomas Metcalf, for thirty years a member of the faculty of the Illinois State Normal school at Normal, died in Chicago, Wednesday, aged 69.

Frank Brown was driving miles in Wheeling creek mines, Martin's Ferry, W. Va., when the animals ran off, throwing him under the cars, killing him instantly.

About 300 Italian laborers who had been employed at Womelsdorf, W. Va., but who have not been paid for several months, are said to be in a starving condition.

The special election held in Trigg county, Ky., to decide the question of licensing saloons resulted in a victory for the temperance people, who carried the county by 400 majority.

Secretary Metcalf, of the state board of health, has completed his statistics upon the annual health of Indiana during the past year. His report shows that 21 per cent of the cases have been fatal.

The Indiana legislature will be asked to have a state fishery established, and to make a stringent law against seining and dynamiting fish. A state fish commission at salary of \$1,500 per annum will probably be asked for.

The Central News' correspondent in Shanghai telegraphs: "The Chinese government continues its negotiations with Europeans for money and munitions of war. Maxim, Nordenfledt and Krupp have been approached for arms, but the results are not known."

Monte's expedition in the Congo country was attacked by natives, who killed Serg. Guertel and five natives attached to the post. Reinforcements under command of Lieut. Vermont arrived at the post and retaliated upon the natives, destroying several villages and killing one hundred of their men.

**THE MARKETS.**  
CINCINNATI, Jan. 2.—FLOUR—Winter patent quality, \$3.29 2/3; do extra, \$3.20 1/2; do family, \$2.92 1/2; do extra, \$1.58 1/2; low grades, \$1.70 1/2; do spring, \$2.90 1/2; do spring family, \$3.18 1/2; do spring family, \$2.40 1/2; do winter, \$2.40 1/2.

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